



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 9 and 721

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0399; FRL-9902-16]

RIN 2070-AB27

Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Removal of Significant New Use Rules

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is removing significant new use rules (SNURs) promulgated under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for chemical substances identified as alkanes, C21-34—branched and linear, chloro; alkanes, C22-30—branched and linear, chloro; and alkanes, C24-28, chloro, which were the subject of premanufacture notices (PMNs) P-12-539, P-13-107, and P-13-109, respectively. EPA published these SNURs using direct final rulemaking procedures. EPA received a notice of intent to submit adverse comments on the rules. Therefore, the Agency is removing these SNURs, as required under the expedited SNUR rulemaking process. EPA intends to publish in the near future proposed SNURs for these three chemical substances under separate notice and comment procedures.

DATES: This final rule is effective *[insert date of publication in the Federal Register]*.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this action, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0399, is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> or at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics Docket (OPPT Docket), Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West Bldg., Rm. 3334, 1301

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

A list of potentially affected entities is provided in the **Federal Register** of August 7, 2013 (78 FR 48051) (FRL-9393-4). If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Rules are Being Removed?

In the **Federal Register** of August 7, 2013 (78 FR 48051), EPA issued several direct final SNURs, including SNURs for the chemical substances that are the subject of this removal. These direct final rules were issued pursuant to the procedures in 40 CFR

part 721, subpart D. In accordance with § 721.160(c)(3)(ii), EPA is removing the rules issued for chemical substances identified as alkanes, C21-34—branched and linear, chloro; alkanes, C22-30—branched and linear, chloro; and alkanes, C24-28, chloro, which were the subject of PMNs P-12-539, P-13-107, and P-13-109, respectively, because the Agency received a notice of intent to submit adverse comments. EPA intends to publish proposed SNURs for these chemical substances under separate notice and comment procedures.

For further information regarding EPA's expedited process for issuing SNURs, interested parties are directed to 40 CFR part 721, subpart D, and the **Federal Register** of July 27, 1989 (54 FR 31314). The record for the direct final SNUR for the chemical substances that are being removed was established at EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0399. That record includes information considered by the Agency in developing this rule and the notice of intent to submit adverse comments.

III. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

This final rule revokes or eliminates an existing regulatory requirement and does not contain any new or amended requirements. As such, the Agency has determined that this removal will not have any adverse impacts, economic or otherwise. The statutory and executive order review requirements applicable to the direct final rule were discussed in the **Federal Register** of August 7, 2013 (78 FR 48051). Those review requirements do not apply to this action because it is a removal and does not contain any new or amended requirements.

IV. Congressional Review Act (CRA)

Pursuant to the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*), EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This action is not a “major rule” as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 9

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

40 CFR Part 721

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: October 28, 2013.

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Therefore, 40 CFR parts 9 and 721 are amended as follows:

PART 9--[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 9 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 135 *et seq.*, 136-136y; 15 U.S.C. 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2601-2671; 21 U.S.C. 331j, 346a, 348; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*, 1311, 1313d, 1314, 1318, 1321, 1326, 1330, 1342, 1344, 1345 (d) and (e), 1361; E.O. 11735, 38 FR 21243, 3 CFR, 1971-1975 Comp. p. 973; 42 U.S.C. 241, 242b, 243, 246, 300f, 300g, 300g-1, 300g-2, 300g-3, 300g-4, 300g-5, 300g-6, 300j-1, 300j-2, 300j-3, 300j-4, 300j-9, 1857 *et seq.*, 6901-6992k, 7401-7671q, 7542, 9601-9657, 11023, 11048.

§ 9.1 [Amended]

2. In § 9.1, remove under the undesignated center heading “Significant New Uses of Chemical Substances” §§ 721.10673, 721.10674, and 721.10675.

PART 721—[AMENDED]

3. The authority citation for part 721 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 2604, 2607, and 2625(c).

§§ 721.10673, 721.10674, and 721.10675 [Removed]

4. Remove §§ 721.10673, 721.10674, and 721.10675.